

box also broke open on the way &
part of the specimens were displaced
there is no need for any of this
he says he is going to write to you now
& settle with you for them

I am glad you now think the Etras
improved are fully up to \$8. I want no
purchaser to be disappointed or cheated
It is all right with the aplopappus

Zellii - his any way by priority of dis-
covery I have not interpreted your fault
finding remarks as intended for censure
or blame, by no means - I am not one
of the men to be offended by having my errors
(ventilated) (as it were) (I have heard it) for
from it. your friend Parry will
tell you no doubt that I also am a
great fault finder he did me several times
& our foolish difficulty (which I trust will
soon be healed up) originated if from
any one came more than another from
this plain spoken fault finding fashion
Some folks have that does not suit all
tempers. I defend a position strongly
till I find reasons shown it to be erroneous
I then I own up freely & frankly which
our friend Parry will not do

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Dear Doctor

Your of 10th is
read by which I am much enco-
uraged & flattered too more than
I have a lawful right, be-
however I shall assume the passing
for a while & non repellent, &
bear with it all. The sales so far
are much better than I had reason
to hope for. I just now begin to
indulge the opinion that I may yet
be pecuniarily rewarded for the hard-
est work under the most difficult
circumstances I ever performed & the
last of the kind I ever expect to do
my health not allowing of such a vocation
I am sorry you are having so much trouble
needlessly. My numbers on the boxes
were in large figures in pencil - but
the man who marked them for shipping

also numbered them, not by my
direction & you took his nos
for mine which explains it all
On the ends of the boxes is the no.
in pencil of the no. of species in ~~the~~
that set perhaps I omitted to tell
you this at the proper time. No doubt
I ought to have sent you the
miscellaneous private things with
the others but didn't think of it at the
time I was putting them up besides
we were so busy then. as none of
these plants will be distributed under
nos the numbers need not make com-
parison only in your own herbarium. & that
you can avoid as you say by erasing the nos
I will take care that it shall not trouble
any, as most of them are common
things I did not think you would
have to spend much time with them
in naming but if you otherwise business
well allow you to attend to it now. —
defer it to some time of leisure.

Mr Canby has written me for a set
& I have promised to send him one
& at the same time he wrote me that Dr Parry
had written him they were offered for that
& after seeing your notice in the journal
I did not see any way but to supply
him at the lower figure. I suppose
now it will be best to let all the
sets you do not supplement with
Parry's material go at the same time although
I have here got 6 sets supplemented
by me that so far as material goes
to make sets good must be better
than you are getting up with Parry's
plants including mine sent for that
purpose. I have not yet heard from
Prof Short if he has rec'd the set I sent
him on 26th ult. — strange he does not write
But I have only just rec'd from Prof
Durand his acknowledgements. He says
the generality of the specimens are good and
in duplicate, but many of them are
single & rather insusceptible — his